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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: David K. Kovalic, *et al.*

Serial No.: 10/767,795

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For: Nucleic Acid Molecules and Other
Molecules Associated with Plants and Uses
Thereof for Plant Improvement

Group Art Unit: 1634

Examiner: Martinell, James

Atty Docket No.: 38-21(53534)B

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT DATED 29 NOVEMBER, 2005

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action dated 29 November, 2005, in which the Examiner required a restriction of claims and an election of sequence.

This paper is also filed along with a petition for an extension of time for one (1) month and authorization for the USPTO to deduct the appropriate fees from the Applicants' deposit account 13-4125.

In response to the Office Action, Applicants respectfully submit the following remarks.